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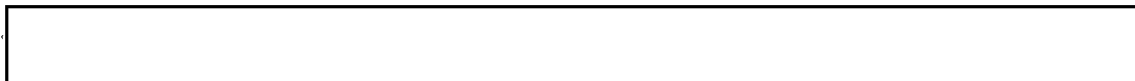
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Tanganyika-Zanzibar: Communists on Zanzibar are working to sabotage the country's two-week-old union with Tanganyika.

[The US chargé on Zanzibar reports that the Communists are confident they will either come out ahead on East German recognition or be able to use it to destroy the union. They apparently intend to make it impossible for Vice President Karume to retreat from his statement of last week that the United Republic will continue diplomatic relations with East Germany.]

[A team of 15 East Germans is reportedly conducting a door-to-door campaign to explain how East German aid will benefit individual Zanzibaris. The East German adviser in Zanzibar's Finance Ministry has warned Karume that over 70 percent of the island's annual revenue would go to Tanganyika under the union arrangements.]

At the same time, Karume's pro-Communist advisers are making every effort to discredit Western aid. In a 9 May speech Karume said that Western investments and loans are not welcome on Zanzibar.

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Southern Rhodesia: [The crisis over Southern Rhodesia's status will probably come to a head by early July.]

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[The party has long held that the territory, which has been self-governing under its white minority for more than 40 years, should achieve independence no later than its former partners in the now-defunct Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland. Nyasaland becomes independent under African control on 6 July.]

[Top party figures apparently remain deaf to warnings that a unilateral declaration of independence would be disastrous economically and would isolate Southern Rhodesia politically. They reportedly are willing to break up Prime Minister Ian Smith's government if he refuses to go along.]

[The government may call a snap election on the issue, hoping for an increased majority which it can point to as a mandate from the white electorate for independence. This could lead to the return to politics of former federal prime minister Sir Roy Welensky and set the stage for a showdown electoral battle among the predominantly white voters.]

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USSR-Algeria: A Soviet Embassy official in Paris stated on 8 May that Khrushchev may visit Algiers after his visit to Egypt, which is scheduled to end on 24 May. The Soviet official said that the matter had not been settled yet, but gave the impression that the visit had been agreed upon in principle. Khrushchev accepted an invitation to visit Algeria during Ben Bella's recent trip to the USSR. He may believe a quick return visit will give added momentum to recently expanded Soviet efforts to strengthen ties with the Afro-Asian world.

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\*Panama: With well over half the vote in, unofficial tabulation in Panama's presidential election puts government candidate Marco Robles over 10,000 votes ahead of his leading contender, Arnulfo Arias. Counting was suspended last night and resumes this morning. The situation appears calm but two minor incidents involving Arias were reported yesterday and the possibility of violence still exists.

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